

1 Minutes of the Centerville **City Council work session** held Tuesday, July 20, 2021 at 5:30 p.m.
2 with participants present at City Hall, 250 North Main Street, and remotely via ZOOM.

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4 **MEMBERS PRESENT**

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6 Mayor Clark Wilkinson (arrived at 5:49 p.m.)

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8 Council Members Tamilyn Fillmore
9 William Ince
10 Stephanie Ivie
11 George McEwan
12 Robyn Mecham

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14 **STAFF PRESENT**

15 Brant Hanson, City Manager
16 Lisa Romney, City Attorney
17 Jennifer Hansen, City Recorder
18 Mike Carlson, Public Works Director
19 Nate Plaizier, Finance Director
20 David Miller, Centerville Municipal Court Judge
21 Tami Niss, Centerville Municipal Court

22 **VISITOR**

23 Jim Peters, State Justice Court Administrator

24 **JUSTICE COURT**

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26 Judge David Miller said he had been a judge for Centerville City for 25 years. He thanked
27 City Staff, the Mayor, Councilmembers, and Court Staff for their support. Judge Miller introduced
28 State Justice Court Administrator Jim Peters, in attendance to answer questions with Judge Miller
29 during the discussion.

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31 Judge Miller posed the following questions:

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 - Why does Centerville need a Justice Court?
 - What is the future of the Justice Court in Centerville?
 - What is the future of the Justice Court as an institution in the State of Utah?

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37 The Judge stated the mission of the Justice Court was to improve the quality of life. He
38 spoke of trying to help individuals understand the importance of contributing to society in a positive
39 way. He referred to the three-legged stool of government – legislative, executive, and judicial, and
40 said he believed it important for all three legs to be represented at the local and national levels,
41 and everywhere else in between. Responding to a question from Councilmember Ince, Judge
42 Miller said he saw a low number of “frequent flyers” in his jurisdiction.

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44 Mayor Wilkinson arrived at 5:49 p.m. Judge Miller spoke of a state task force formed in
45 2019 to take a look at the justice system and make recommendations. He said he believed
46 changes would happen related to which courts would handle infractions and class A, B, and C
47 misdemeanors. Jim Peters estimated the task force report would be available to the public in the
48 next three-four months. Judge Miller and Mr. Peters spoke of continuing to operate court virtually
49 due to continued pandemic uncertainty, and answered questions from the Council. Mayor
50 Wilkinson thanked Judge Miller and Mr. Peters for the discussion.

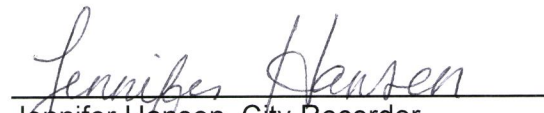
WATER CONSERVATION

Public Works Director Mike Carlson said he was nervous about the irrigation water supply. He said it was difficult for him to gauge the amount of water in the City's aquifers. Councilmember McEwan said it was clear to him that the community was not fully aware of the current water situation. Mr. Carlson said the City would run its wells for another 72 days. Councilmember Fillmore said she had hoped to see some type of community education before this point in the summer. Mr. Carlson said his department had been working with individual heavy water users. Councilmember McEwan suggested utilizing social media to start getting the word out on where the City's water comes from and the current level of supply.

Mr. Carlson mentioned that most water meters in the City were outdated, and said the City had applied for a grant to upgrade some of them. City Manager Brant Hanson suggested using American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds to update the meters to catch water problems in real-time. Mr. Carlson estimated the cost to upgrade one residence was \$315.00, and said the replacement took City employees approximately 30 minutes per residence. Councilmember Fillmore suggested requiring the upgrade for all new development. She suggested the main page of the City website include news flashes related to water conservation. Mr. Hanson spoke of short-term and long-term impacts on the water system. He suggested the Council submit suggestions for social media posts to Staff. Councilmember Fillmore stated the messaging needed to be effective, and suggested a short video. Councilmember Ivie expressed agreement.

ADJOURNMENT

At 6:35 p.m., Councilmember Ince **moved** to adjourn the work session. Councilmember Ivie seconded the motion, which passed by unanimous vote (5-0).


Jennifer Hansen, City Recorder


Date/Approved


Katie Rust, Recording Secretary

